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CARNEGIE WILL ASSIST BUILDING OF LIBRARY

Plymouth Board Receives Proposition From Great Philanthropist--Site Must Be Provided Also Maintenance--Building and Library Will Be Donated.

The Library Board has received a letter from Mr. Andrew Carnegie in which he generously offers the funds to the City of Plymouth with which to build a Public Library building. His only conditions are the two he always makes to each recipient of his bounty, viz: First, that a suitable site be provided on which to place the Library building, and second, that an annual fund for its support be assured.

These conditions are in no way unreasonable, but would appeal to any sane man as wholly proper. It is hoped that they may promptly be complied with and that the Library Building may be built this summer and ready for use in another year.

The Library Board asks that those who have subscribed pay their subscriptions at once that the site for the building may be purchased immediately, and that Mr. Carnegie's offer may be accepted.

Before the money is forwarded it will be necessary to secure Mr. Carnegie's approval of the site as well as of the plans which will be submitted to him soon.

The Library Board is planning the erection of a three story building. The main floor will be used for the Library proper. The ground, or basement floor will contain ample toilet rooms for public use, as well as a commodious waiting, or reading room, for public use, and a committee room which will hold about one hundred people. Their use can be used for any legitimate public meetings, for the Council, literary clubs, or Commercial association. The third floor is to be large auditorium for public lectures or larger public meetings. That such a building is greatly needed no one can deny.

Those who have investigated the matter may be somewhat surprised to learn that we have at present a public library of 6,993 volumes. Because of our having no accessible location for this library it is not used nearly as much as it would otherwise be. This library is housed in a room 18 by 20 feet in dimension, and is in the Public School building which is closed after school hours, and during school hours is almost inaccessible because the one who desires a book must go through the halls of the High School building, passing the open doors of rooms where school is in session. This makes the boldest feel that he is an intruder in spite of the kindly courtesy of the school authorities. The school librarian is also a substitute teacher and may not be present to deliver the book after one has arrived successfully at the library.

In spite of these difficulties the library had during the winter of 1909-1910, a circulation of 7838 volumes. Of these, 2927 volumes went out of the school building and into the homes. The rest were used in the building and not carried out.

In case we have a library open to the public and in a convenient place it is certain that it will be used much more largely and by a continuously increasing number of our people. The working classes, the business men and the wives and mothers of our city are practically excluded from use of the library on account of its present location.

Aside from the books, of which the Library Board hopes to have a large and excellent assortment it is planned to have a reading room, well supplied with the leading current magazines.

Stoneburner Heirs Get \$500

This is to certify that we have this day received a warrant for \$500 from the Supreme Order of the Ladies of the Maccabees, the amount of insurance card d by the late Jennie S. Stoneburner, and we take this opportunity of thanking both the local order and Supreme for their promptness and fairness in payment of same.

Levi Stoneburner
John Stoneburner, guardian.

Advertised Letters.

J. E. Hayes.
A. M. McDonald.

MEDICAL SOCIETY IS REJUVENATED

PLYMOUTH DOCTORS REORGANIZE EARNEST WORK IN THE STUDY OF IMPORTANT SUBJECTS OF THEIR PROFESSION.

The Plymouth Medical Society has been rejuvenated by a few of the local doctors who are determined to make a more thorough study of their profession in an organization for that purpose. The old organization got into difficulty and on account of a lack of interest among many of the members went to pieces. The work done was not satisfactory to those who wanted to do more thorough study anyway, and they determined on something better.

On Thursday afternoon these physicians will meet in Dr. Loring's office for their second session and complete a thorough organization. The officers chosen are: Dr. Eley, president; and Dr. Eidson secretary. At the Thursday meeting Dr. Loring will have a paper if there is time for it after the other work is done.

U. B. Church News.

A number of our people are sick, including the superintendent, Mr. J. V. Vangilder. The Sunday school was in charge of assistant, Mr. S. Grossman. All the services were fairly well attended.

Next Sunday evening, beginning at 7:15 the Christian Endeavorers will present a program instead of the preaching service. There will be installation of officers of the society and a good time is expected.

The second quarterly meeting of the year will take place Feb. 5. Rev. J. Simons of Peru, the Superintendent, will be present and have charge. Let every member take heed to this meeting as a full financial report is desired.

The subject for next Sunday morning will be "Humbling Ourselves," in the evening the Christian Endeavorers will have charge. Come out and hear the young people.

Entertains Four Hundred Slub

Mr. C. E. Firestone entertained the ladies of the Four Hundred club at her home on Minor street Wednesday afternoon. Cards, conversation and refreshments to be remembered occupied the time pleasantly.

JOHN WILTFONG AS DETECTIVE

WELL KNOWN CLERK AT ALLMAN'S CATCHES THIEF IN ACT OF TAKING PLUSH CAP.

John Wiltfong, the well known clerk at Allman's store, had a breezy experience Monday in which he acted as both detective and policeman.

A young man came into the store and John asked him if there was anything he wanted. The fellow said, "No, I'm just looking 'round." Wiltfong then stepped outside to show a pair of shoes hanging there to a customer and while he was looking at the shoes the young man came out started across the street toward the alley. John had suspicious that he had taken something and at once started after him. The fellow began to run and went in behind Seybold's market, but could not hide in there so came out and started on north.

Wiltfong called to him several times to stop but he never looked back. Then John started to run after him; but the thief dodged in behind some boxes back of Lauer's store and there left a fine plush cap which he had taken from Allman's store.

Wiltfong grabbed him and the two had quite a tussle, but the fellow was too young and quick for the improvised policeman and succeeded in getting away, but without the cap. John says he had a notion to bring the fellow back to the store but the other man didn't seem to care to come, so he just let him go.

BIRTHS.

A daughter was born Friday night to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Sponsler of the south side.

A daughter was born Sunday morning to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bryar.

Entertains at Week End
Miss Erma Humrichouer was hostess at a week end party, to Miss Gladys Morrison and the Messrs Herbert Overman, and Lewis de Vore of Chicago, the guests returning to their homes Sunday evening. The affair was in celebration of the birthday of Miss Humrichouer which occurred on Saturday. On that evening a party consisting of the above guests, and the Misses Ruth Logan, Catherine Stevens and Helen Tomlinson, and the Messrs Floyd Keibert, Wm. Hendricks, and Hubert Tanner composed a theatre party, and afterward enjoyed a dance at the Apollo Club.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS MEET

Pretty Lake Students Entertained by Mrs. Edward Miller Saturday Evening.

Twenty three members of Mrs. Murphy's Sunday School class were entertained at the home of Mrs. Edward Miller, three and one half miles west of Plymouth Saturday evening.

It was a jolly crowd and it is needless to say that they had a good time. They assembled at 7:30 o'clock and departed near the midnight hour. Refreshment were served and the remainder of the evening was spent in playing games.

Takes Trip Into Virginia.

Mrs. O. G. Soice left Saturday morning for a trip into Virginia where she will visit her cousin, Mrs. Stella Camp Fancett at Norfolk. On the way she will visit Mrs. Belle Albright in Kokomo, Mrs. Jas. P. Carroll, Mr. Soice's sister in Indianapolis, and Mrs. Lou Stansbury, a cousin, in Osgood, Ind. At Cincinnati, she will take the Chesapeake and Ohio for the south. She is planning to make side trips to several of the historical points in Virginia.

PLANS FOR LIBRARY ARE NOW DRAFTED

THE PROPOSED BUILDING WILL CONTAIN TWO STORIES, BASEMENT AND MAIN FLOORS

STATE COOPERATES

The Board Are Making Collections and May Ask Ladies' Library Committees to Assist.

The Library Board are preparing plans for the proposed Public Library building for Plymouth as they would like it to be. These they will submit to the State Library.

It is not the plan to have a three story building, as was erroneously stated in a recent issue of the Republican. The Basement story will contain toilet rooms, similar to the Public Comfort stations in all our leading cities, a Rest Room for the accommodation of guests in our city, and a Committee Room, holding about one hundred people, for the use of smaller gatherings. The second story, aside from being the library proper, will be so planned that it can be used as an auditorium containing several hundred people, and used for lectures and the larger public gatherings.

The Library Board is being assisted by the State Library Commission which is giving our local Board the benefit of its wide experience in library matters.

The Library Board is at present making collections in the expectation of buying a lot soon. The ladies who took the subscriptions may be asked to assist in the collections as they are acquainted with the parties who subscribed. The Board will appreciate it if all who can do so will pay their total subscription now as they need the money immediately and also it will save unnecessary trouble to all concerned if subscribers would pay without being solicited.

HOME INVADDED BY NIGHT PROWLERS

MR. AND MRS. DANIEL MACHEL ARE KEPT FROM GOING TO BED BY THEIR NEIGHBORS BUT PROVE EQUAL TO THE OCCASSION.

An old fashioned surprise party occurred at the home of Daniel Machel Saturday evening. It was not one of those surprises where you find everything ready to entertain you but a sure enough surprise. In fact the occupants of the farm home, west of Plymouth, were preparing to retire for the night when forty-eight of their neighbors came to spend the evening.

The friends living west of Mr. Machel's met at the home of Chas. Keibert, while those living east at Jacob Stryker's and at eight o'clock the combined forces met on the cross roads and proceeded to their destination.

They did not come empty handed knowing the crowd would embarrass any housewife without previous notification. They brought oysters, chicken, cake, pie, and nearly everything you could name in the eatable line. At 10 o'clock they served the supper and the rest of the evening was given over to music and visiting. Mr. E. C. Croup played some beautiful pieces on the organ and a crowd of the younger people sang. It was 12:30 o'clock when they left for their homes, and all joined in saying they had spent a most delightful evening, and that Mr. and Mrs. Machel were not to be outdone in entertaining by being taken by surprise.

RHINEHART NOW HAS

CHICAGO BARBER SHOP
W. A. Rhinehart, formerly in the barber business in Plymouth and later in Mishawaka, has bought a shop in Chicago on Ogden avenue and says he has a fine trade and likes the place very much. Mr. Rhinehart spent Sunday here with his family.

Christian Ladies' Aid Officers

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Christian church has elected the following officers: President, Mrs. F. W. Bosworth; Vice-President, Mrs. Frank Cullison; Secretary, Mrs. C. G. Baker; Treasurer, Mrs. N. Stroup. The ladies are expecting a very good year during 1911.

NEW LIGHTS FOR 'PENNSY. PLATFORM

PUBLIC WILL AT LAST HAVE GOOD ACCOMMODATIONS UNDER THE SHED FOR TRAINS AT NIGHT.

The traveling public will be rejoiced to learn that the Pennsylvania railway company is at work putting in electric lights under the platform shed of the local station. A 110 candle power incandescent lamp is being installed at each fourth post, and this will give excellent light by night to all who take the trains from that side.

This is a change which has long been desired, and will be a great accommodation.

AT THE SATURDAY CLUB

Members Hear Good Paper on Jane Adams, Report on Yellowstone Park, Etc.

The Saturday club met with Mrs. C. R. Leonard and had a delightful afternoon in study and music. Mrs. Stevens read a paper on Jane Adams giving a personal history of her childhood and later life. Nearly all of Miss Addams' classmates became foreign missionaries and she determined that she would do her missionary work at home. Her great work in Chicago and influence on the whole nation is the result.

Quotations were from Jane Addams and Margaret Fuller. Mrs. Schell rendered a piano solo, and Mrs. Geo. Thayer gave an interesting account of her experiences in visiting Yellowstone National Park and read from Stoddard's lectures a description of the park.

COUNCIL BUYS LOT FOR NEW CITY HALL

Short But Stormy Session Monday Night Settles Question of Purchase of Site for Future Building. Street Commissioner Bowles Resigns--Other Business for Municipality.

Miss See Entertains

Miss Ethel See entertained 18 of her friends, Saturday night at her home about 6 miles northeast of Plymouth.

The evening was spent in playing games, and the young people all went to see the dredge.

They all departed at a late hour wishing to have many more such happy meetings.

Attends Banquet of T. P. A.

"Bob" Snell has gone to Hartford City and from there will visit Muncie, at which place he attends the banquet of the State Travelers' Protective Association, of which he is a member. This meeting and banquet is a big affair for the members and "Bob" is expecting to have a fine time.

Mrs. Clem Parker

Mrs. Clem Parker, a resident of Plymouth forty years ago, died Sunday at the home of her daughters in Kankakee, Ill. The remains will be taken to Tyner for burial where the funeral service will be held in the U. B. church at 2 P. M. Wednesday. Mr. Parker, husband of the deceased was for many years a cabinet maker in Plymouth. Mrs. Parker leaves four daughters, Mrs. Ida Prouty, of Chicago, Miss Florence Parker, a nurse in the Kankakee, Ill., Insane Asylum, and Mrs. Lizzie Tolson and Miss Etta Parker of Kankakee. Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Snyder, Mrs. A. C. North, and Mr. Fred Myers, old time friends, will attend the funeral.

Birthday Surprise.

A few friends of Mrs. John M. Olds, thought that they would remind her last night that it was her birthday.

Mrs. Olds received several very nice presents from her guests.

Cards was played during the evening, also some very nice music by Mrs. Harold Steiner, and several songs by Mr. Steiner.

Lunch was served by the ladies which was enjoyed by all.

The following ladies and gentlemen were present:

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Young, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Koontz, Mr. and Mrs. John Xaver, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Koontz, Mr. and Mrs. Herold Steiner, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Myers, and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Boyer, Mr. Balmour Scheets, Misses Erma and Martha Koontz.

J. A. Miller of near Argos wants to know whether the Legislature has repealed the Ten Commandments. Can anybody tell him?

PROMPT PAYMENT OF INSURANCE

FORESTERS SEND CHECK FOR POLICY HELD BY MRS. JUTE VINALL ELEVEN DAYS AFTER DEATH.

The Canada Order of Foresters paid the death claim of Mrs. Jute Vinall Monday. The amount of the policy was \$250.

The settlement of the claim so promptly eleven days after death speaks well for the company and for the local officers who looked after the reports.

Danforth Gets Good Job.

Dr. Ed. Danforth received a telegram this afternoon telling him that he would be appointed deputy oil inspector for Marshall county.

The city council had a short but rather stormy session Monday night during which they settled the question of the site for a new city hall whenever that structure may be built. They decided to buy the lot just south of the present city hall, and to pay for it the sum of \$1800.

Councilman Clizbe made the motion for the purchase and Mr. Bowell seconded it. Remarks were then called for by the Mayor and Councilman Swindell opened up his guns against the purchase of the lot, and especially against Councilman Bowell. He said that Mr. Bowell was so anxious to keep the tax rate down at the time that was fixed and now he wants the city to go into debt still further than it is to buy a lot which will be used nobody knows when. Mr. Bowell replied that the lot was the only available one for a city hall, it was cheap at the price of \$1800 and the city should take it while it could get it. Councilman Vangilder was absent, but it is said he was for the purchase of the lot.

All the councilmen present except Mr. Swindell voted for the purchase of the lot. The ground is 68x126 feet, while the present city lot is only 27 feet wide. The terms on which the lot is bought are set forth in the following proposition to the council by Fred H. Kuhn:

"The undersigned begs leave to offer you the following real estate sixty-eight feet off of the north side of lot forty-seven Original plat of the Town, now City, of Plymouth; in other words, the lot joining the city hall lot on the south, for \$1800, payable on the following terms and conditions: \$1000 can be paid in three years from Jan. 14, 1911, at 6 per cent interest, interest payable at the end of every six months and at any interest bearing time, such payment to be of not less than \$100 or any multiple thereof, the balance of \$800 I will take your note payable in from one to six months after date of purchase at 6 per cent interest. All assessments against said lot such as pavement, sewer and sidewalks are paid in full.

Fred H. Kuhn."

Bowles Resigns.

Street Commissioner D. H. Bowles tendered his resignation as street commissioner and it was accepted by the council. No successor was appointed and one may not be until spring.

A bill against Lauer Bros. for work on the alley in the rear of their buildings was cut down from \$15.50 to \$10. The bill of D. H. Bowles for services as street commissioner was referred to an auditing committee.

The chairman of the water-works committee reported a new kind of hydrant which he wanted the city to try, and it was moved that Mr. Clizbe investigate the hydrants. A motion was also carried that all delinquent water takers be notified that unless they paid rent by Feb. 12, they would be shut off.

A new electric light is to be placed on the corner of north Center and Monroe streets.

The city engineer gave his report of municipal improvements for the year 1910. City Treasurer Hhan made the following report:

Amt. on hand Jan. 9.....	\$5267.79
Collected water rents.....	84.54
Collected Licenses.....	31.00
Col. Sale of cemetery lots.....	24.00
Miscellaneous.....	9.23
	\$5416.56
Disbursements.....	1471.87
Balance.....	3944.69
The following bills were allowed:	
O. B. Klingerman.....	\$ 13.15
Oscar McGowan.....	1.00
Jas. B. Clow & Sons.....	25.50
Jno. Moore.....	10.00
Chas. Weigle.....	3.33
First Nat. Bank, int on funding Bonds.....	348.75
State Bank.....	101.25
Total.....	\$502.98